

COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION
(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 6

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council was held on **Monday, January 09, 2012**, at **6:38 p.m.**, in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

PRESENT: Mr. Robert O. Call, Jr., Chairman, Council District No. 3; Committee Members: Mr. Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1, Mrs. Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4, Mr. Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6, Mr. Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8; ex-officios: Mr. Daniel W. Davis, County Supervisor, Mr. Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2, Mr. Dennis Fish, Council District No. 5, and Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Ms. Nicole Scott Ewing, County Attorney; and Ms. Catherine Windham, Interim Clerk to County Council.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman Call: "I'd like to call the January 2012 meeting of Committee on Water and Sanitation to order."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Call: "First item on the agenda is approval of minutes December 12, 2011."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Move for approval."

Committee Member Schurlknight: "Second."

Chairman Call: "I have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion, corrections, or additions to the minutes? (No Response) Hearing none, I'll call for the vote. All in favor say Aye? (Ayes). All opposed? (No Response). The minutes stand approved as presented."

It was moved by Committee Member S. Davis and seconded by Committee Member Schurlknight to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

A. Mr. Mark Schlievert, Director of Solid Waste, Re: Curb-side Recycling – Daniel Island.

Mr. Schlievert: "Good evening and Happy New Year. Over the past few years, we've received several requests to incorporate curbside recycling within Berkeley County, and we've been struggling trying to find a way. I believe we have. I have spoken to several of our franchise

haulers who either currently have the contract or have had the contract in the past, and everybody seems amendable to having curbside recycling in the municipal areas like Goose Creek, Hanahan, Moncks Corner, and Daniel Island. Tonight we have kind of a unique situation in the fact that our current franchise contractor which is Waste Industries, has a route close to Daniel Island already in existing and they don't utilize it fully, so in other words, they're bringing their trucks back with available space. So, talking to them, they've agreed to start up Daniel Island with curbside recycling at the same rate that our current franchise residents are paying for recycling which is \$3.12 a month. And that will be billed quarterly. Waste Industries contract does expire June 30th. We plan on rebidding it as expected to the curbside recycling across the board to somewhere pretty close to the \$37 range, give or take a few dollars. But we'd like to start Daniel Island right now. It's a benefit to us with the new funds that we've received from Sunoco for the contract that you all approved awhile back. We've basically increased our revenue from about \$6,000 a month on recycling to a little over \$12,000 so we can utilize that money to keep our rates low. We haven't had to raise solid waste fees in over 10 years. And with these types of programs hopefully, we can continue to do so. So I would ask for approval to start the curbside recycling in Daniel Island, and amend Waste Industries current contract."

Committee Member Schurlknight: "Move for approval."

Committee Member C. Davis: "Second."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Call: "Mr. Davis?"

Committee Member S. Davis: "This curbside recycling, what are the areas being served now?"

Mr. Schlievert: "It's just the areas that are covered by the franchise contract, which is mostly just the built-up areas within Berkeley County. They don't service the rural areas, they can't take one truck and run out to one residence so it's the built-up areas not serviced by a municipality."

Committee Member S. Davis: "So they don't serve...Wait, I got the floor right now, please. Thank you. They don't serve Felder Creek right now you're telling me. Felder Creek?"

Mr. Schlievert: "I'm sorry, I..."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Felder Creek, we were just talking about Felder Creek, about the parking situation, about cars in the lot, subdivision, that whole area of Jedburg, they don't serve the Jedburg area?"

Mr. Schlievert: "I'd have to look at the actual map, but it's really the built-up, developed areas within Berkeley County that are not serviced by the municipalities. That's what it includes. And there's an actual franchise map and I don't know off the top of my head the exact

boundaries of where that all goes. But I can get that information. I'd be more than happy to show that to you."

Committee Member S. Davis: "And what are the items that are recycled that we're talking about?"

Mr. Schlievert: "It's everything, cardboard, paper, comingle which is glass, and..."

Committee Member S. Davis: "The same equivalent that we have at some of our sites right now where people actually go the extra step and put the cardboard in the containers..."

Mr. Schlievert: "Right."

Committee Member S. Davis: "And containers and the newspapers that my wife would gather, that's what..."

Mr. Schlievert: "Right."

Committee Member S. Davis: "That's what we're talking about."

Mr. Schlievert: "Yeah, the same stuff. Every plastic that has a number on it, metal cans, glass, paper, cardboard...."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Ok."

Chairman Call: "Thank you. Any further discussion?"

Committee Chairman Farley: "Mr. Chairman? This is a volunteer?"

Mr. Schlievert: "Yes. It will be on an..."

Committee Chairman Farley: "signup?"

Mr. Schlievert: "Application, they sign up for it. It's not mandatory. They sign up if they choose. If they don't want to have it, then they don't have to. It's completely voluntary."

Committee Member Callahan: "Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Call: "Mr. Callahan?"

Committee Member Callahan: "I just want to say thank you for the work that you've done on it and just to let everybody know the situation that's currently going on right now. We actually have folks who voluntarily pay \$100 dollars a year for curbside recycling pickup. And that is every two weeks and they have to separate it out. You know, so naturally you're going to get all of them as customers, and then all the additional ones that you're going to get because of your offer at 1/3 the price; and certainly in a more convenient fashion."

Mr. Schlievert: "This would be weekly pickup and single strain. That means everything gets thrown into one bin."

Chairman Call: "Also I'd like to note, to make part of the record; Mr. Callahan distributed a letter from the Daniel Island Homeowner Association for full support for the...it is the Homeowner Property Owner Association, full support of this and asking us to approve it. And if you'll make that part of the record, I'd appreciate it. Any other discussion? (No Response) Hearing none, I'll call for the vote. All in favor say Aye? (Ayes). All opposed Nay? (No Response). The Ayes have it."

It was moved by Committee Member Schurlknight and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **approve the modification of the Waste Industries Franchise Contract to allow the community of Daniel Island to join the recycling portion of this contract.** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee."

Chairman Call: "Next is...."

B. Bill No. 11-48, an ordinance of the County Council of Berkeley County providing for the amendments of that certain **Water Purchase and Supply Agreement between the **Lake Marion Regional Water Agency** and Berkeley County, South Carolina; and other matters relating thereto. Any discussion?**

Committee Member Farley: "That's for the Lake Marion?"

Mr. Colin Martin: "Yes."

Committee Member Farley: "Move for approval."

Committee Member C. Davis: "Second."

Chairman Call: "I have a motion and a second. Any discussion?"

Committee Member S. Davis: "Yes, could we have some information be provided on this please?"

Chairman Call: "Sorry, Mr. Davis, I didn't...."

Committee Member S. Davis: "He's coming forward to give us updated information. It's a new year; I want a little refresher course."

Mr. Colin Martin: "Yes, Sir. These are minor changes. Calhoun County, which is a member organization of Lake Marion Regional Water Agency wishes to borrow some money from the Federal agency to install their distribution system in Bowman; would provide the agency additional customers. However, the way the agreements are written, it requires that we have priority in any lien opportunity. So this drops us back to parity or secondary. And all of the

agency representatives all voted to do that, and didn't see a problem with it. So each agreement with each member then would have to be changed."

Committee Member S. Davis: "So in other words, it changes the priority in relationship to debt allocation what we talking about."

Mr. Colin Martin: "As I understand it, it's with regard to any liens that would be exercised, that they would have, the Federal Government would have first priority, not the agency."

Committee Member S. Davis: "So everybody in conjunction must sign off on this in all of Calhoun County?"

Mr. Colin Martin: "Yes, sir."

Committee Member S. Davis: "To do this. Ok, thank you."

Chairman Call: "Any further questions for Mr. Martin? Any further discussion? Hearing none, I'll call for the vote. All in favor, Aye? (Ayes). All opposed, Nay? (No Response). The motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **approve** consideration, prior to Third Reading, of **Bill No. 11-48**. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Call: "I'd entertain a motion to adjourn."

Committee Member S. Davis: "So move."

Committee Member Farley: "Second."

Chairman Call: "I have a motion and a second. All in favor? (Ayes). All opposed? (No Response). The Ayes have it. We are adjourned."

It was moved by Committee Member S. Davis and seconded by Committee Member Farley to **adjourn** the Committee on Water & Sanitation Meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

February 13, 2012

Date Approved

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Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, District No. 7, ex officio
Mr. Daniel W. Davis, Supervisor, ex officio

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council will be held on **Monday, January 9, 2012, at 6:03 p.m.**, following other scheduled committee meetings in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 12, 2011

- A. Mr. Mark Schlievert, Director of Solid Waste, Re: Curb-side Recycling – Daniel Island.**
- B. Review prior to Second Reading:**
 - 1. **Bill No. 11-48**, an **ordinance** of the County Council of Berkeley County providing for the amendments of that certain **Water Purchase and Supply Agreement** between the **Lake Marion Regional Water Agency** and Berkeley County, South Carolina; and other matters relating thereto.

January 4, 2012
S/Catherine R. Windham
Interim Clerk to County Council